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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 250-7-15

SUBJECT: FNM – MEETINGS – MINNESOTA TRIBAL CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
OUTREACH AND TRAINING CONFERENCE

ACTION DUE BY: August 7, 2007

Purpose. To provide authorization information for attendance at the Minnesota Tribal Conservation Advisory Council Outreach and Training Conference.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2007.

The purpose of the Minnesota Tribal Conservation Advisory Council Outreach and Training Conference is for tribal leaders and department personnel to meet with USDA and others to learn how USDA programs can help tribes achieve their visions for their people, land, air, water, plants, animals and other natural resources. It is also a great opportunity for USDA agency personnel who assist tribes to meet and get acquainted with tribal folks. The Training Conference is being held at the Mille Lacs Grand Casino August 14-15, 2007.

The following employees are authorized to attend **on government time and expense:**

- State Conservationist, all Assistant State Conservationists, State Outreach Coordinator, and State Public Affairs Specialist.
- NRCS speakers and presenters listed on the attached agenda.
- District Conservationists and tribal liaisons serving counties with reservations.
- Other NRCS Field and Area Staff recommended by the ASTC (FO) and approved by the State Conservationist.

Assistant State Conservationists (FO) should submit a list of recommended participants to Ann English, ASTC (Operations), by August 7, 2007. Travel authorizations for those approved outside the State Office will be prepared at the applicable Area level. Questions regarding travel authorizations should be directed to Bryan Welp, Budget Officer, (651) 602-7860.

Please call the Mille Lacs Grand Casino Motel at 1-800-468-3517 **by August 7, 2007**. A room rate of \$39 plus tax has been established for this conference. Tell them you are attending Minnesota Tribal Conservation Advisory Council conference. Rooms have been set aside for August 13, 14, and 15.

Ann English, acting for

WILLIAM HUNT
State Conservationist

Attachments – Draft Agenda, Registration and Conference Flyer

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